



HAMBLEN COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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According to Tennessee's Public Chapter 1061, parents or legal guardians are required to give written permission for their minor children to receive counseling services from either a school counselor, Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), or Social Worker (LCSW/LMSW). If a parent/legal guardian does NOT provide consent for counseling services, a school counselor, LPC, or Social Worker can only provide services in the case of a mental health crisis/emergency. Permission is not required for students to see school counselors for academic planning purposes or in situations such as resolving interpersonal conflicts between students.

School counselors, LPC's and Social Workers aim to support the mental and emotional well-being of all students. Mental health support may include:

- Individual and/or group counseling for emotional and behavioral issues
- Support for students dealing with trauma or significant life changes
- Support for anxiety, depression, and other mental health conditions
- Coordination with external mental health providers

This consent does not apply to services provided by Helen Ross McNabb.

Parents/guardians are financially responsible if a crisis situation results in summoning emergency services.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's principal.

Student Name _____ **Grade** _____ **Teacher** _____

CHECK ALL that apply to give CONSENT for the following:

- School Counselor Mental Health Support
- Social Worker or Licensed Professional Counselor Support
- None of the above. Your child will not receive counseling support if you select this option.

Parent Signature

Date